COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Friday, *the 9th of August 1929.*
25th of Karkadagam 1104.

The House met at Half past Eleven of the Clock with the President in the Chair. Messrs. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar, M. A. Chakko, E. Ikkanda Warriar, S. S. Koder, Ouseph P. Kundukulam and Thomas Manjuran were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Graduates in the Education Department.

291. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to print and place on the Table a list of graduates in the Education Department whose monthly salary is less than Rs. 50 per mensem stating their present salary, years of service and present grade?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Vide list appended (*Appendix I*).

Allotment for Irrigation.

292. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the whole or any portion of the allotment of Rs. 1,00,000 in the budget for this year for new Irrigation Schemes has been spent this year; and if so, to specify the details of the work done such as nature of the work and the locality;

If, on the other hand, no portion of the allotment has been utilised, what are the reasons for the delay so far made?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No amount from this allotment was utilised in the year 1104.

It was proposed to utilise this amount on the Karuvannur Diversion Scheme. After careful investigation it was thought unnecessary to take up this work, since there was no failure of crops due to floods in Parappukkara, etc., villages ever since the Enamakkal works were completed.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What has this Enamakkal Dam to do with this Karuvannur Scheme? Here it is said in answer to my question that it was thought unnecessary ever since the Enamakkal works were completed.

President.—The Member for Public Works is not present in his seat. So, let us see whether any of us can answer. Now, what is the supplementary question?

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Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What connection has this Enamakkal bund with the Karuvannur Scheme ?

President.—I may say that we have two vent-ways as against one before the flood of 1099. A larger volume of water is being drained through them into the sea through the Enamakkal Lake. We have now two vent-ways in the Enamakkal bund. These gave a larger relief to the water. These two openings relieved a larger volume of water brought down from the hills. That is the connection. So, instead of one vent-way we have two vent-ways, and as such there is a wider gap for the water to flow out.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—How can the water on the southern side of the Karuvannur river get into the Enamakkal Lake ?

President.—Water can go through the Pazhuvam *Thodu* and the Chirakkal *Thodu*.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—There is a *chira* on this side. Unless there are breaches,...

President.—Of course the bunds will be there; but water will be flowing down. It will go through the opening to the Muriyad Lake and then into the sea. Another portion will go through the Chirakkal *Thodu* and the Pazhuvam *Thodu*. These are openings and through these water will go, and then it will get into the *Kole* lands.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—But how can the water on the southern side of the Karuvannur river get into the sea ?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Water will get through the Kanakkan *Thodu* to the Muriyad lake.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the estimate amount for the Karuvannur Scheme ?

President.—We have not received any estimate yet. No estimate has been submitted for sanction.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—It is Rs. 1,40,000. It is stated in the budget.

President.—That is a cost report only. Detailed estimates have not been received.

Construction of a bridge over the Chittur-Vaduthala ferry.

293. Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to answer whether:—

(a) there was any representation made by the inhabitants of Chittur, Cheranellur, Vaduthala, etc., either in writing or orally this year with regard to the construction of a bridge over the Chittur-Vaduthala ferry;

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